

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1.-86. (canceled)

Claim 87. (currently amended) A system for managing electronic receipts, comprising:

a base device communicatively coupled to a portable device, the base device associated with an identifier, the base device storing a plurality of electronic receipt policies, the base device generating an electronic receipt corresponding to a transaction using a select policy of the plurality of electronic receipt policies, and the base device forwarding the generated electronic receipt to the portable device for storage;

wherein which one of the plurality of policies is the select policy used for generating the electronic receipt depends on the transaction,

wherein the base device is a point of sale device.

Claim 88. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the select policy is associated with a service provider associated with the transaction.

Claims 89.-90.(canceled).

Claim 91. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein an administration system provides at least one of the plurality of electronic receipt policies.

Claims 92.-94. (canceled).

Claim 95. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein each administration system of a plurality of administration systems communicating with the base

device provides at least one of the plurality of policies to the base device to allow the base device to generate electronic receipts accordingly.

Claim 96. (original) The system of claim 95 wherein each administration system periodically updates at least one of the plurality of policies and forwards the at least one updated policy to the base device.

Claim 97. (previously presented) The system of claim 95 wherein the base device is further configured to store a copy of the electronic receipt generated by the base device in a local receipt storage.

Claim 98. (original) The system of claim 97 wherein contents of the local receipt storage are periodically uploaded to one of the plurality of administration systems.

Claim 99. (previously presented) The system of claim 97 wherein a user of the portable device is able to use the base device to restore a deleted electronic receipt on that portable device by using contents of the local receipt storage.

Claim 100. (canceled)

Claim 101. (previously presented) The system of claim 95 wherein the base device is further configured to store historical activity information relating to a plurality of electronic receipts generated by the base device in a local receipt activity log.

Claim 102. (original) The system of claim 101 wherein contents of the local receipt activity log are periodically uploaded to one of the plurality of administration systems.

Claims 103.-111. (canceled)

Claim 112. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of electronic receipt policies correspond to a plurality of different service providers.

Claim 113. (canceled)

Claim 114. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein information relating to the identifier is incorporated into the electronic receipt generated by the base device.

Claims 115-127. (canceled).

Claim 128. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the electronic receipt is tamper-proof.

Claim 129. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the electronic receipt includes a validity period.

Claim 130. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the electronic receipt includes receipt status information.

Claim 131. (currently amended) The system of claim 87 wherein the electronic receipt includes transaction identifying information.

Claim 132.-174. (canceled).

Claim 175. (currently amended) The system of claim 87 further comprising the portable device, and a user device in communication with the base device, wherein a user manages a plurality of electronic receipts with [[a]] the user device communicating with the portable device, wherein the plurality of electronic receipts includes the generated electronic receipt.

Claim 176. (currently amended) The system of claim 87 ~~wherein~~ further comprising an administration system coupled to the base device, wherein the administrative system determines the select policy from the plurality of electronic receipt policies and downloads the select policy to the base device, the select policy corresponding to a service provider associated with the transaction.

Claim 177. (currently amended) A method of managing electronic receipts, comprising:

receiving a plurality of electronic receipt policies from one or more administrative systems, the plurality of electronic receipt policies corresponding to different service providers;

selecting a policy used to generate an electronic receipt associated with a transaction, the selected policy corresponding to a service provider associated with the transaction;

generating an electronic receipt using the selected policy; and

forwarding the generated electronic receipt to a portable device communicating with the base device for receipt management,

wherein the base device is a point of sale device.

Claim 178. (previously presented) The method of managing electronic receipts of claim 177 wherein receipt management comprises receipt duplication, receipt storage, receipt sharing, receipt deletion, and receipt restoration by a user.

Claim 179. (previously presented) The method of managing electronic receipts of claim 177 wherein receipt management comprises deletion, by a base device, of an electronic receipt stored on the portable device if the electronic receipt is invalid or confirmed for deletion.

Claim 180. (previously presented) The method of managing electronic receipts of claim 177 further comprising automatically deleting the generated electronic receipt on the portable consumer device upon the end of a validity period.

Claim 181. (previously presented) The method of managing electronic receipts of claim 177 further comprising automatically deleting the generated electronic receipt on the portable consumer device if the electronic receipt is confirmed for deletion.

Claim 182. (currently amended) A method of managing electronic receipts, comprising:

identifying an electronic receipt of a plurality of electronic receipts on a portable device using an identifier associated with a base device used in an associated transaction, wherein the base device is a point of sale device;

verifying the electronic receipt using the base device; and

providing the electronic receipt using the base device to the portable device after verifying the electronic receipt.

Claim 183. (currently amended) The method of managing electronic receipts of claim 182, wherein verifying the electronic receipt comprises:

validating the electronic receipt using the base device; and

verifying user access to the electronic receipt using the base device.

Claim 184. (new) The system of claim 87 wherein the base device communicates with the portable device in a substantially off-line manner.

Claim 185. (new) The method of claim 177 wherein forwarding the generated electronic receipt occurs in a substantially off-line manner.

Claim 186. (new) The method of claim 177 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different receipt validity periods.

Claim 187. (new) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different receipt validity periods.

Claim 188. (new) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different receipt security requirements.

Claim 189. (new) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different conditions for receipt retrieval.

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Claim 190. (new) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different purchase receipt management policies.